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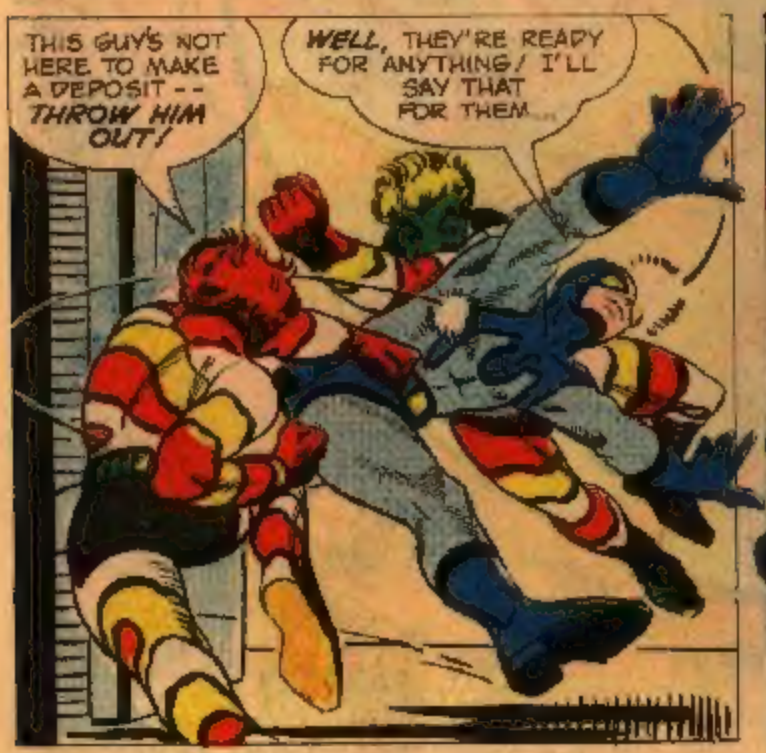
THE TIME: 2:30 P.M. THE PLACE: AN ALLEY IN HUB CITY—
LET'S GO, MADMEN! IT'S TIME FOR US TO GET TO WORK... AT THE BANK!
THERE'S NOTHING LIKE WITHDRAWING MONEY OTHER PEOPLE DEPOSIT!

THIS IS A FRIENDLY WARNING! DON'T ANYONE TRY ANYTHING AND NO ONE WILL GET HURT!
DON'T BOTHER TO HELP! WE LIKE TO DO THIS PART OURSELVES! IT MAKES US FEEL WE'RE EARNING THE MONEY WE TAKE!

THE BUGS ANTENNA PUT A FIX ON A GUN SHOT AND THERE'S A BANK IN THIS AREA! WITH THIS WEATHER IT CAN ONLY BE THE MADMEN!


THIS GUY'S NOT HERE TO MAKE A DEPOSIT -- THROW HIM OUT!
WELL, THEY'RE READY FOR ANYTHING! I'LL SAY THAT FOR THEM...

...BUT EXPECTING THE UNEXPECTED IS ALSO PART OF MY PROFESSION. WELL, BADMEN, HOW DID I HANDLE THAT?

GET HIM, MADMEN! HE'S TRYING TO STOP US FROM MAKING A LIVING!
IT'S LIKE STEALING FROM US... THE CROOK!
DID YOU HEAR? THEY'RE FIGHTING OVER THE MONEY. I HOPE THOSE THIEVES KILL EACH OTHER!
CROWD HIM! DON'T GIVE HIM ROOM TO SWING!
I'LL HAVE TO USE MY GUN! IT WILL CUT DOWN THE ODDS TO WHERE I CAN HANDLE THEM!
BLAST IT!...JARRED THE GUN OUT OF MY HAND!
COME TO ME, BABY!
THIS BEETLE ISN'T ONLY BLUE... HE'S THROUGH!
KZZZ
HE'S HAD IT! LET'S GO!
UNGH!...GOT TO RALLY FAST AND GET AFTER THEM! IF I CAN BRING DOWN THE BUG QUICK ENOUGH!
K-Kzz
THEY COULDN'T HAVE GOTTEN VERY FAR... I'LL BE ABLE TO SPOT THEM FROM UP HERE!
NO USE! THEY'RE NOWHERE IN SIGHT! THEY MADE A CLEAN GET AWAY... AND WITH MY GUN!
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LATER, AT THE MADMEN'S HIDEOUT!
ALL THE GUN DOES IS HUM! WHAT KIND OF WEAPON IS IT, ANYWAY?
THERE MUST BE SOME SPECIAL WAY TO FIRE IT... BUT HOW?
KZZZZ
WELL, IT'S USELESS TO US, FLEETER, WE SHOULD LAY LOW...
IDIOT! I'LL DO THE THINKING! SOON EVERONE WILL KNOW WE HAVE THIS GUN BUT THEY WON'T KNOW WHAT IT'S CAPABLE OF DOING! THAT MAKES IT THE MOST DEADLY WEAPON THERE IS!
EVERYONE WHO FACES THIS GUN WILL BE OVERCOME BY THE HORROR OF WHAT IT MIGHT DO TO THEM! WAIT AND SEE!
KZZZZZZZZ
THE BLUE BEETLE SHOULD BE ARRESTED FOR CARRYING A WEAPON. HE DOESN'T HAVE A LICENSE!
I HEARD ITS SOUND DRIVES MEN INSANE!
NOW, NO ONE IS SAFE! THAT GUN IS A DEATH RAY!
TED, COULDN'T YOU CALL THE PAPERS AND TELL THEM THE TRUTH ABOUT THE GUN?
THEY WOULDN'T BELIEVE ME! NO, THE ONLY WAY IS TO GET THE GUN BACK MYSELF!
LOOK AFTER MY LAB, TRACEY. THE BLUE BEETLE HAS TO BE READY TO MOVE QUICKLY!
I'M SURE THE MADMEN WILL TAKE ADVANTAGE OF POSSESSING MY GUN AND STRIKE AGAIN ...SOON!
A SHORT TIME LATER AT A SAVINGS BANK...
THAT NOISE! IT'S THE BEETLE GUN! DON'T SHOOT!
DON'T DISINTEGRATE US! DON'T FIRE!
HA HA HA!
KZZZZ
HA HA, NO ONE EVEN DARES TO LOOK DEFIANT!
TURN THE GUN OFF! TAKE THE MONEY AND GO!
KZZZ
ANYONE WHO TURNS AROUND BEFORE WE'RE OUT OF HERE, I'LL FIRE AT FULL POWER AND...
NO, NO! WE WON'T TURN AROUND... PLEASE GO!
KZZZZZ
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...TO GET DOWN THERE FAST, BEFORE THOSE MADMEN GET AWAY AGAIN!
LOOK OUT! IT'S THE BLUE BEETLE!
IT'S A PLEASURE TO DROP IN ON SUCH BAD COMPANY!
HOW DID HE FIN... AAB...
YOU CAN MAKE MY VISIT SHORT! JUST HAND OVER MY GUN
THAT'LL BE THE DAY! OOF!...
LET'S NOT WASTE TIME WITH HIM!
OOF! YOU'D THINK THEY'RE OUT TO SET SOME NEW WORLD SPEED RECORD!
THAT'LL HOLD HIM! LET'S BEAT IT!
WE'LL BE LONG GONE BEFORE HE GETS TO HIS FEET AGAIN!

THEY DIDN'T HAVE TIME TO GET TOO FAR ... I CAN STILL GET ANOTHER CRACK AT THEM!
NO SIGN OF THEM! HOW DO THOSE MADMEN GET AWAY SO FAST?
I'LL CRUISE AROUND FOR AWHILE! THEY MAY HAVE PLANNED A SERIES OF ROBBERIES... ONE AFTER ANOTHER!
MEANWHILE, BELOW IN AN APARTMENT BUILDING...
HEY! WHAT ARE YOU DOING GOING INTO DAN GA--
DAN GARRET! IT'S YOU! BUT WHAT HAPPENED?
HI, IKE. I HAD A LITTLE ACCIDENT WHILE I WAS AWAY! I'M OKAY NOW!
Hmm. I WONDER IF I SHOULD TELL LT. FISHER, DAN'S BACK? HE WAS MIGHTY ANXIOUS TO SEE HIM LAST TIME HE TALKED TO ME!
MIKE, I THINK YOUR HUNCH IS RIGHT. THE MADMEN ARE REALLY THE OLD FLEETER MOB WITH A NEW TWIST!
AND THEY'D COMPLETELY DROPPED OUT OF SIGHT!
SEE IF YOU CAN GET A NEW LINE ON THEM!
LT. FISHER, CALL FOR YOU!
IKE COLAR. YES! WHAT! DAN GARRET!! YOU'RE SURE IT'S HIM? .AND HE WENT OUT AGAIN! OKAY, I'LL HAVE SOMEONE OVER THERE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!
MAYBE I CAN LAUGH IT OFF, BUT WILL KORD!
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THE COMMENTATORS ARE HAVING A FIELD DAY WITH YOU AND YOUR MISSING GUN!
I'M NOT SURPRISED! WELL, LET'S SEE HOW MUCH WORK I CAN GET DONE BEFORE TOMORROW!
CLICK!
AND THE PROTESTS MOUNT DEMANDING THAT ACTION BE TAKEN AGAINST THE BLUE BEETLE!
HA HA! PEOPLE WOULD RATHER FIGHT A GOOD GUY THEY THINK IS GOING BAD THAN STAND UP TO SOMEONE THEY KNOW IS ROTTEN!
KZZZZZZ
I SAY BRAND THE BEETLE AN OUTLAW!
NO ONE IN HIS RIGHT MIND WOULD STAND UP TO THAT GUN-- IT'S TOO DEADLY!
WHAT KIND OF FIEND IS HE?
EARLY THE NEXT DAY...
I'M ON MY WAY! I'LL STAY IN TOUCH, TRACEY!
THAT TAKES CARE OF THE BARRIER, NOW TO OPEN THE RIVER WALL DOOR!
THE CONTROL SHOWS IT'S SAFE TO COME OUT! AND NOW TO CLOSE THE WALL DOOR.
ANOTHER WET DAY. I HOPE IT'S STILL THE MADMEN'S FAVORITE KIND OF WEATHER!
AND SURE ENOUGH AT A FEDERAL BANK.
NO! NO! TURN IT OFF!
KZZZ
GOT A WEAK SIGNAL... NOW IT'S CUT OFF! BUT I HAVE A FIX ON IT IT'S UPTOWN!
TOO BAD I COULDN'T HAVE BEEN CLOSER... THEY HAVE A BIG LEAD!
THEY'RE PILING INTO THAT TRUCK! SO THAT'S HOW THEY GET AWAY!
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NOW THAT THEY'RE ALL IN ONE NEAT BUNDLE THE BUG CAN WRAP THEM UP SECURELY!
IT'S THE BEETLE, QUICK! YOU ALL KNOW WHAT TO DO! MOVE!
WHA.. ? IT LOOKS LIKE THE TRUCK EXPLODED! LIKE A SMOKE BOMB.
BY THE TIME THE AIR CLEARS UP, WE'LL BE LOST IN TRAFFIC!
THERE'S NO ONE DOWN THERE THEY GAVE ME THE SLIP AGAIN!
I'VE BLOWN TOO MANY CHANCES. I'M GOING TO HAVE TO MAKE IT GOOD THE NEXT TIME .. IF THERE IS A NEXT TIME!
MEANWHILE THE FAMOUS HISTORIAN, PROFESSOR LOMA HAS A CALLER
HERE IS THE DATA YOU WANTED DAN!
THANKS PROFESSOR! YOU'LL GET A COMPLETE REPORT ON EVERYTHING!
I'LL GO OVER THIS MATERIAL WHILE MY ARM IS HEALING I'LL SEE YOU BEFORE I LEAVE!
IF THERE'S ANYTHING ELSE LET ME KNOW!
DAN GARRET'S APARTMENT
HE NEVER CAME BACK .. AND THE ONLY THING MISSING FROM THE LIST WE MADE IS SOME MAPS. I'VE GOT A HUNCH DAN GARRET'S NOT COMING BACK.. IF HE WAS EVER HERE!
WE BETTER START CHECKING EVERYONE WHO KNEW GARRET! IT'S GOING TO BE INTERESTING TO SEE TED KORD'S REACTION TO ALL OF THIS!
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EARLY THAT EVENING...
HELLO, KORD, DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING YOU'D LIKE TO TELL ME?
NO, LT FISHER, NOTH NG HAS CHANGED!
THEN YOU HAVEN'T HEARD WHAT ARE YOU STAR... HEY!!!
YOU SEE HIM, TOO! T'S...
DAN GARRET! DAN, DAN!... BLASTED TRAFFIC, HE CAN'T HEAR ME!
FROM THE LOOK ON KORD'S FACE, HE NEVER EXPECTED TO SEE GARRET AGAIN PERIOD!
WE CAN'T GET THROUGH! GARRET'S GETTING INTO A VEHICLE. I CAN'T TELL IF T'S A CAB OR WHAT!
DAN CAME FROM MY LAB, TRACEY MUST HAVE TALKED TO HIM
..AND DAN SA D HE'D CALL YOU LATER
WE HAD A REPORT HE WAS IN TOWN!
BUT YOU THOUGHT IT WAS ME IN DISGUISE!
WELL, THE THOUGHT HAD CROSSED MY MIND!
THIS SHOULD CLEAR TED OF EVERYTHING, LIEUTENANT. NOW STOP HOUNDIN' HIM!
LIKE KORD, I DEAL IN FACTS! AFTER I HAVE A TALK WITH GARRET AND I'M CONVINCED HE'S THE REAL McCOY, THEN TRACEY, YOU CAN BOOT ME OUT OF YOUR LIVES.
WHY WORRY? IF IT'S GARRET I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO'S GO- ING TO REMAIN MR. UNPOPULAR BUT THAT'S PART OF MY JOB. YOU WILL LET ME KNOW F YOU HEAR FROM GARRET!
I CAN'T HELP LIKING H.M, TRACEY. HE'S GOOD AT HIS JOB.
I DIDN'T LET ON TO DAN I KNEW ABOUT PAGO ISLAND WHAT'S WRONG?
WHY DID DAN WAIT SO LONG BEFORE TRYING TO CONTACT ME! HE MUST KNOW I'M THE NEW BLUE BEETLE!
ABOUT THE BLUE BEETLE TED. CAN THERE BE TWO OF THEM, NOW?
NO! DAN'S EARNED THE RIGHT FIRST. IF HE WANTS TO CONTINUE AS BLUE BEETLE, AS MUCH AS I HATE TO.. I'LL DROP OUT!
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WHILE ELSEWHERE .
I SPEAK FOR ALL WHO SEEK JUSTICE! THE PROOF LIES IN THE RESULTS OF PUBLIC OPINION POLLS AND I SAY THAT ALL DECENT CITIZENS DEMAND MEASURES BE TAKEN AT ONCE AGAINST THE BLUE BEETLE, SO THAT WE CAN RETURN TO A LIFE WITHOUT FEAR!
I SAY WE SHOULD START ORGANIZING PROTEST MARCHES .. AND PICKET CITY HALL!
YES, THEY'D REALIZE THEN THAT WE KNOW WHAT HAS TO BE DONE!
WE STRIKE AS LONG AS THE HEAT'S ON THE BLUE BEETLE! AFTER ALL, IT'S HIS GUN THAT'S THE REAL CRIMINAL.. .IT'S FORCING US TO USE IT HA! HA!
KZZZ
NEXT MORNING. .
THE MINUTE DAN CALLS, TRACEY, CONTACT ME. I MUST TALK TO HIM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!
IF I HAVE TO END MY SHORT CAREER NOW, I'D LIKE TO DO IT WITH A CLEAN RECORD!
AND THAT MEANS GETTING THE BEETLE GUN BACK!
MEANWHILE, ANOTHER BANK FACES THE BLUE BEETLE'S GUN IN THE HANDS OF THE MADMEN!
TAKE WHAT YOU WANT, BUT DON'T HARM US WITH THE GUN!
KZZZ
THE GUN'S IN USE AGAIN! THIS TIME I'M NOT GOING TO CHARGE IN BLINDLY! INSTEAD, I'LL HANG BACK OUT OF THEIR WAY AND .
DISPATCH MY TINY BUG TO KEEP ITS TWO EYES ON THEM
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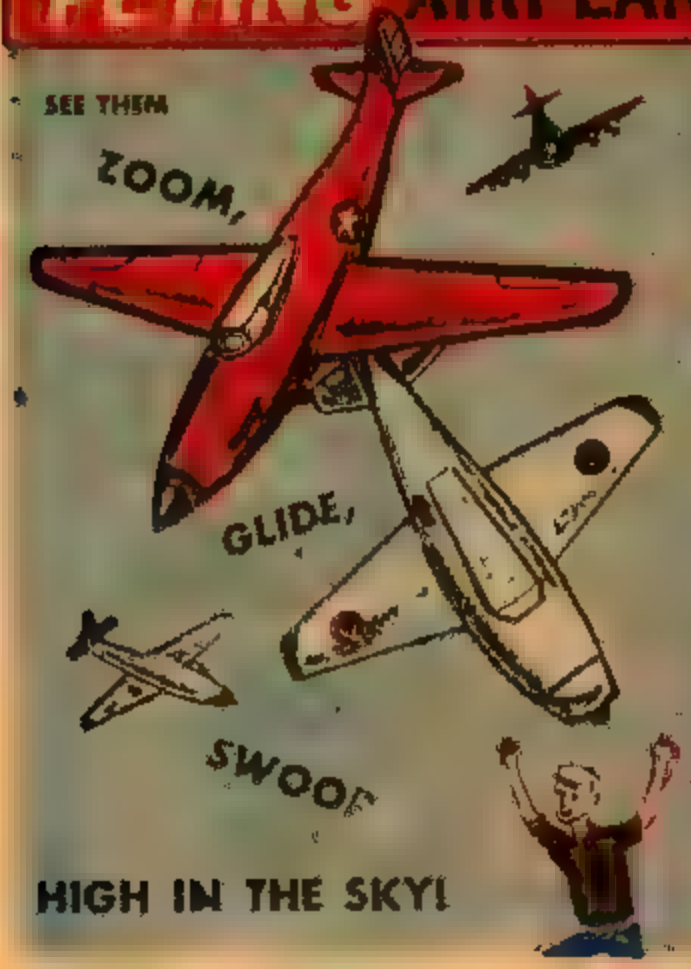

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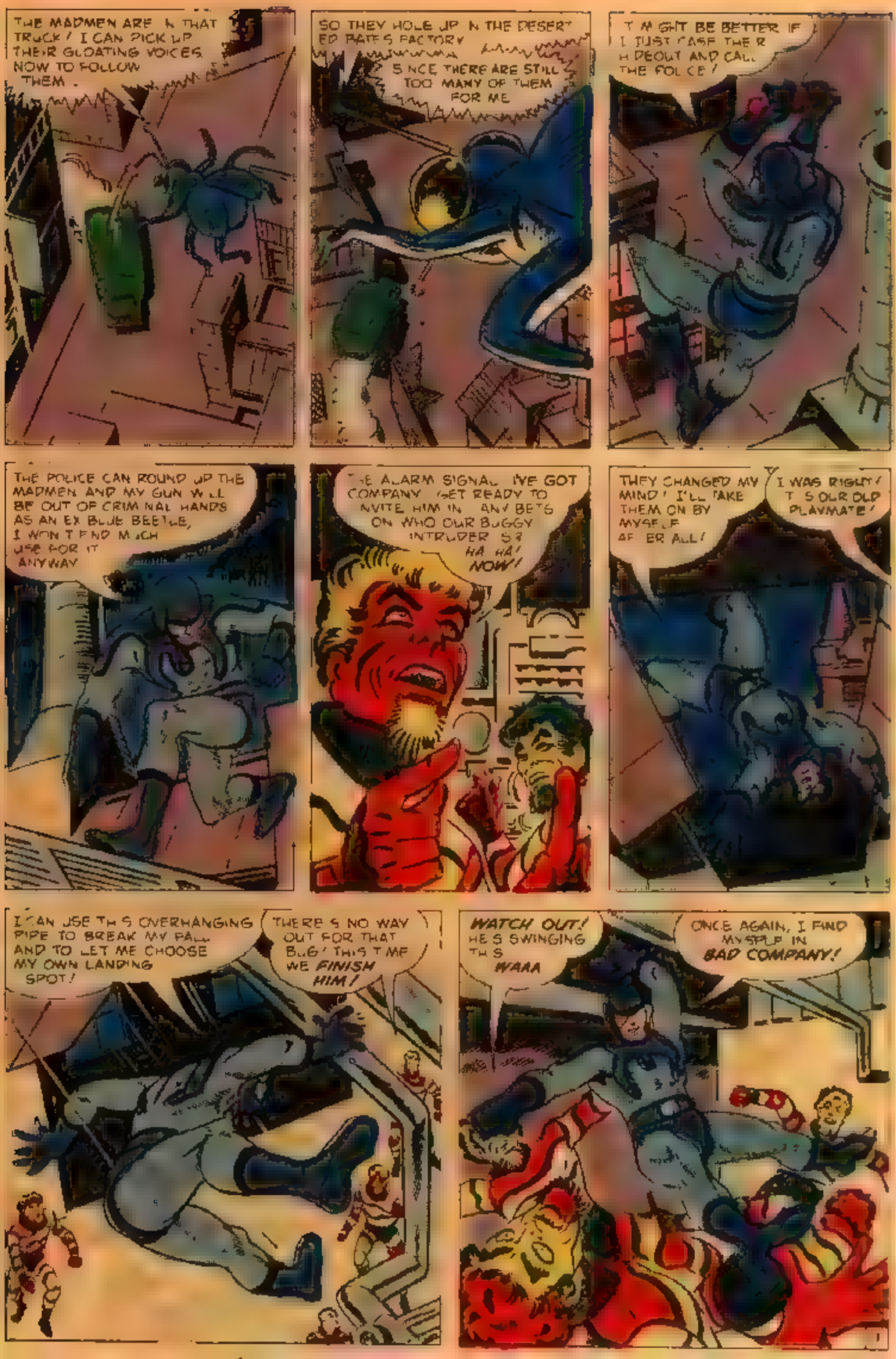
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SO THEY HOLE UP IN THE DESERT ED BATES FACTORY
SINCE THERE ARE STILL TOO MANY OF THEM FOR ME
I MIGHT BE BETTER IF I JUST CASE THE R H DEOUT AND CALL THE POLICE!
THE POLICE CAN ROUND UP THE MADMEN AND MY GUN WILL BE OUT OF CRIMINAL HANDS AS AN EX BLUE BEETLE, I WON'T FIND MUCH USE FOR IT ANYWAY
THE ALARM SIGNAL IVE GOT COMPANY GET READY TO INVITE HIM IN ANY BETS ON WHO OUR BUGGY INTRUDER IS? HA HA! NOW!
THEY CHANGED MY MIND! I'LL TAKE THEM ON BY MYSELF AFTER ALL!
I WAS RIGHT! IT'S OUR OLD PLAYMATE!
I CAN USE THIS OVERHANGING PIPE TO BREAK MY FALL AND TO LET ME CHOOSE MY OWN LANDING SPOT!
THERE'S NO WAY OUT FOR THAT BUG! THIS TIME WE FINISH HIM!
WATCH OUT! HE'S SWINGING THIS WAAA
ONCE AGAIN, I FIND MYSELF IN BAD COMPANY!

DO YOU THINK MAYBE HE'S HERE TO JOIN OUR SUCCESSFUL GANG!
LET'S SEE IF HE CAN STAND UP TO OUR INITIATION!
WHAT YA SAY BEETLE? WANT TO BE ONE OF US?
DOES THIS GIVE YOU A HINT OF MY ANSWER OR MUST I SPELL IT OUT!
DON'T RUSH YOUR DECISION! GET TO KNOW US FIRST! ME, I'M THE SWEET KIND LEADER.
I KNOW YOUR KIND! THEY BELONG IN CAGES!
INSULTS! OKAY BOYS, HE HAD HIS CHANCE!
THANKS! I'D HATE TO THINK I SHOWED PROMISE TO BE LIKE ONE OF YOU!
YOU SAD MEN HAVE BEEN THE FORGOTTEN ISSUE! NOW THAT THE PLEASANTRIES ARE OVER WE CAN GET DOWN TO WHY I'M HERE!
WHOEVER IS THE ONE WHO HAS MY GUN HAND IT OVER IF HE'S ABLE!
THEN I'M GOING TO SEND ALL OF YOU ON A TRIP
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TO AN EXCLUSIVE PLACE FOR YOUR TYPES I JUST KNOW YOU'LL HATE IT THERE, BUT I PROMISE I WON'T COME TO VISIT YOU!
YOU'RE TOO CHOKED UP TO ANSWER!
YOU'VE BEEN DREAMING LONG ENOUGH BEETLE, NOW YOU'LL LEARN THE FACTS OF LIFE!
OOFF! HE CAME OUT OF NOWHERE!
DON'T LET HIM GET UP!
WHEW! HE'S OUT! FOR A MINUTE THERE, I DON'T THINK WE COULD TAKE HIM!
QUICK, TIE HIM UP!
NOW HE'S GOING TO TELL US HOW THIS GUN WORKS AND THEN WATCH US OPERATE!
HEY, HIS MASK WON'T COME OFF AND I CAN'T SEE WHAT'S HOLDING IT ON!
WE CAN'T PULL ANY OF THE SEAMS APART!
WHAT THEY WOULDN'T GIVE TO KNOW MY MASK LOCKS UNDER MY CHIN AND ONLY THE FINGER TIP CONTROL CAN UNLOCK IT!
OKAY BEETLE TELL US HOW THIS GUN WORKS AND WE'LL LET YOU LIVE!
MY, MY, YOU'RE NOT ONLY A ROTTEN THIEF NOW I FIND OUT YOU ALSO TELL LIES!

I'LL JABANTHE BEFORE WE'RE THROUGH YOU'LL BE TALKING YOUR HEAD OFF!
SINCE THIS ISN'T GOING TO BE A FRIENDLY DEBATE OF THE ISSUES
WE'LL PLAY IT BY YOUR RULES USING THE LANGUAGE YOU UNDERSTAND! HERE'S MY FIRST STATEMENT!
WATCH OUT! HE ACTS
NOW, I'LL DO THE TALKING
RIGHT WHERE I WANTED TO GO!
MY COSTUME'S FIREPROOF BUT THE DRY ROPE SHOULD CATCH FIRE QUICKLY
STOP HIM!
JUST A SECOND MORE, BOYS
GET HIM AWAY FROM THERE!
THE STRANDS SHOULD BE WEAK ENOUGH NOW!
NAIL HIM BEFORE HE BREAKS LOOSE!
14

BLAST YOU! STAY DOWN YOU DIRTY DOG!
IT MAKES ME HAPPY TO SEE YOU MADMEN SAD . NOW WE'RE ON EQUAL TERMS AGAIN!
BUT I'VE GOT TO WRAP THEM UP BEFORE THEY WEAR ME DOWN!
HEY WAIT THERE'S ONE WAY I CAN DO IT!
IF I CAN GET TO THE ONE THAT'S HOLDING MY GUN -- YES, I'VE SPOTTED HIM!
5

LOOK OUT! HE'S MAKING A PLAY FOR HIS GUN!
MAY I PLEASE HAVE MY GUN BACK? THANK YOU!
STOP HIM! HE MUSTN'T GET HIS HANDS ON THAT GUN!
REALLY? AFTER ALL IT IS MINE!
WELL BADMEN, NOW IT'S TIME TO PLAY THE GAME MY WAY!
WHAT IF THAT GUN DOES WHAT EVERYONE SAYS IT DOES!
WE HAVE TO GIVE UP!
MOVE ASIDE! WE'LL SEE IF THAT GUN CAN STOP BULLETS! PLUG HIM
IT'S NOT THE TRIGGER THAT FIRES THE GUN BUT THE FINGER IT'S CONTROLLING PRESSING AGAINST THE DISC ON THE HANDLE!
THEY CHOOSE TO FIGHT SO HERE GOES!

SUDDENLY, THERE IS A BRILLIANT FLASH OF LIGHT!
WHA! IT'S ONLY A FLASH GUN?
YOU JOKERS D'DN'T THINK I'D CARRY AROUND A DEADLY WEAPON? THIS GUN SERVES MY PURPOSE!
HEY, BOSS! WE GOT THE TRUCK ALL GASSED AN -- HEY!
SHOOT HIM, HE'S ONLY ARMED WITH A FLASH GUN!
COVER YOUR EYES 'TIL WE DRAW OUR GUNS THEN WE'LL BOTH BLAST HIM!
EVEN IF YOU KNOW WHAT MY GUN CAN DO, IT STILL GIVES ME AN EDGE!
KZZ
Z
YOU'RE EITHER PUT OUT OF ACTION BY THE FLASH OR YOU CLOSE YOUR EYES--
AND THAT GIVES ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO KEEP THEM CLOSED! I'LL DEMONSTRATE!
TOO BAD I DIDN'T SPOT THIS NETTING BEFORE! IT WILL WRAP EVERYONE UP NICELY!
I CAN SEE AGA... HEY!
7

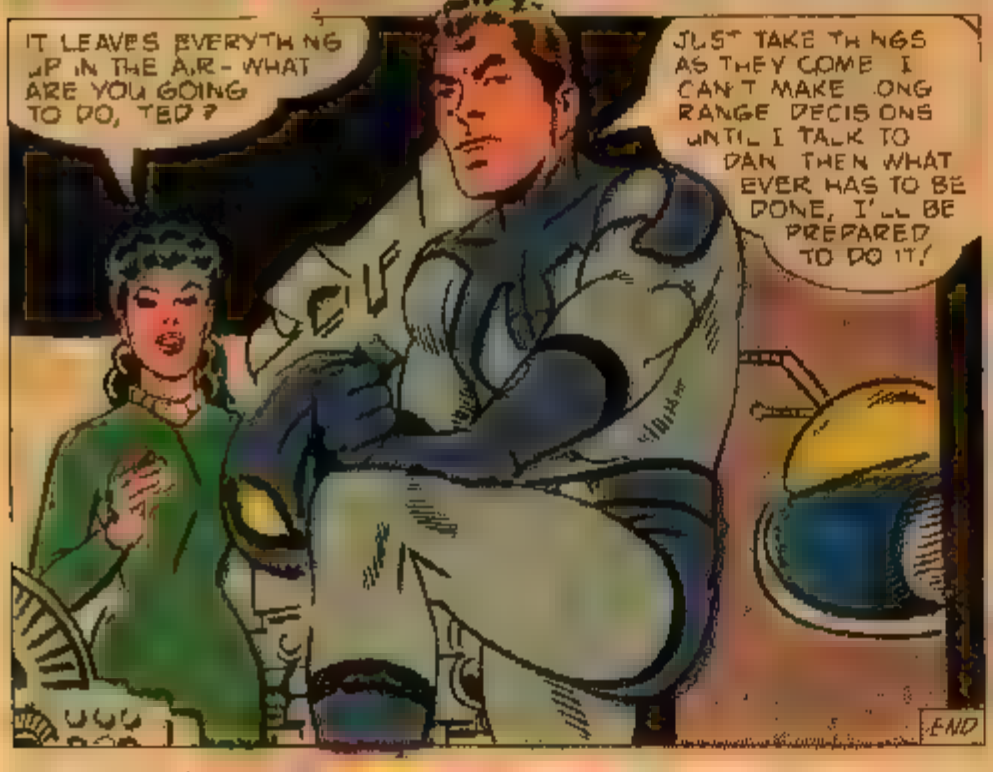
THE BANKS WON'T MISS THEIR KIND OF BUSINESS!
THE WAY HE'S DRIVING HE'LL KILL US BEFORE HE GETS US TO THE POLICE!

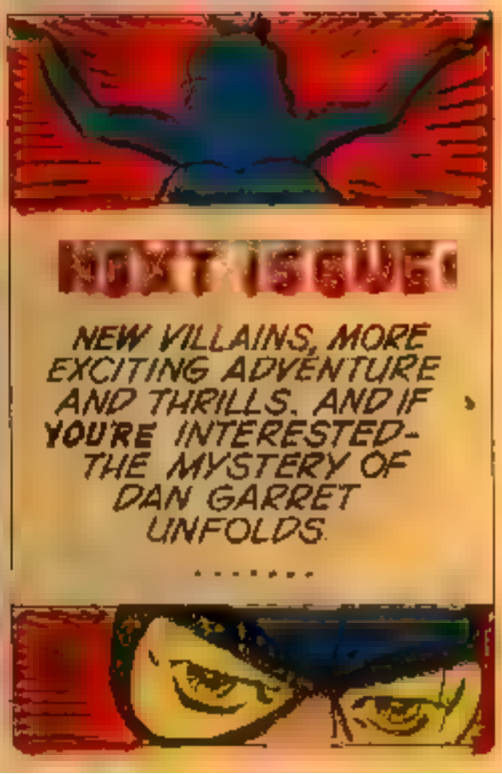
D'D YOU SEE THAT! THE BLUE BEETLE DROPPED OFF THE MADMEN! THAT MEANS HE GOT H S GUN BACK!
I'LL SIGNAL TRACEY THAT I'M COMIN' N! SHE SHOULD HAVE GOOD NEWS FOR ME
FLEETER WHO DESIGNS YOUR MOB'S PAJAMAS?

HARRUMPH! I WAS NEVER ONE OF THOSE WHO WAS AGAINST THE BLUE BEETLE!
NOR I - I ALWAYS ADORED BLUE!

STILL NO WORD FROM DAN!
I GUESS LT FISHER HASN'T FOUND H.M YET OR HE'D HAVE CALLED

WHAT'S HOLDING DAN BACK, YOU'D THINK HE'D BE JUST AS ANXIOUS TO SEE AND TALK TO YOU!
IT'S PUZZLING!


IT LEAVES EVERYTHING UP IN THE AIR - WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO, TED?
JUST TAKE THINGS AS THEY COME I CAN'T MAKE LONG RANGE DECISIONS UNTIL I TALK TO DAN THEN WHATEVER HAS TO BE DONE, I'LL BE PREPARED TO DO IT!
THE END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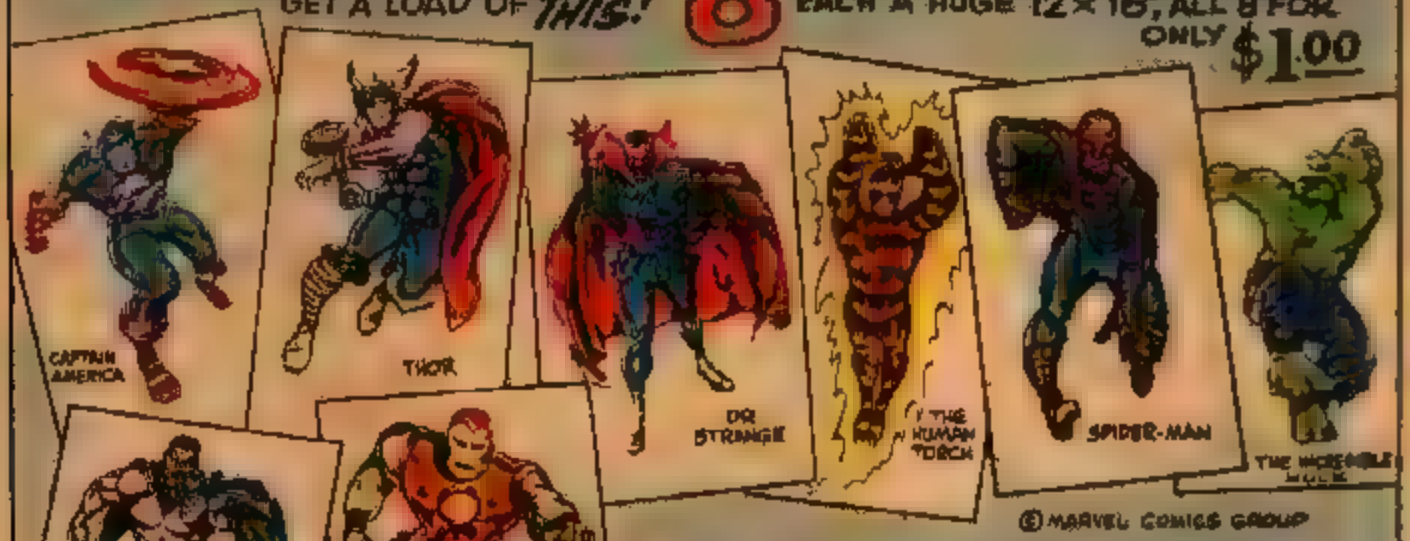

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Dear Editor:

Wow! I'm doing cartwheels and backflips! You're probably wondering why I'm doing such things. Well, wouldn't you do the same if you were waiting for the newest, greatest action-hero to get his own mag, hence, one week later there it is. Big as life, THE (new) BLUE BEETLE now in his own mag! Sure you would. Everybody would wouldn't they?

Also I'd like you guys to know that your comics have improved immensely in the past year. There was a time when I thought your mags were about the poorest on the stands. But I stuck with you; for I knew there would come a day when CHARLTON COMICS would rise to the top of its profession. Of course, I was correct as usual. Just keep up the good work and you may even conquer the world before MARVEL.

Uncle Bob
Pittsfield, Mass. 01201

Thanks for the kind words, Uncle Bob! But who wants to conquer the world? ...wouldn't know what to do with it! We're just trying to put out a decent comic.

Dear Editor:

BLUE BEETLE #1 aside from the fact that there was a little trouble with the thought balloons, was excellent. From cover to cover Steve Ditko's art was as good if not better than ever.

With the first issue of most superhero comics there are always a few basic questions that arise. I would like to see how well I can do answering them myself.

Q. Will you be giving out any original art?

A. No.

Q. Will you feature BB in a story with one of your other action heroes such as Captain Atom?

A. Yes.

Q. Why not reprint some of the old BB stories?

A. We'll think about it.

Well how did I do?

Taking about questions, I felt the Question story in BB #1 was a good strip even if Professor Rodor and Celia Star, who were on the first page's cast of characters were not in the story. The Question story reminded me very much of a golden age hero, with fast action and an average of eight panels a page (most new comics have six or less). At the end of the story a superhero called The Banshee is listed to appear in the spot where the Question story was, does this mean that there will be no more Question stories or will he be put in the spot where the short story of BB is in Captain Atom comics?

Dave Caplan
1640 Sherbourne Dr.
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The answers to your first three questions are no, no and no in that order. To further clarify this; we don't give out original art...we need it! Now, don't jump down our throats...we have made exceptions to this no art bit but only when certain factors were present which made it possible to do so. Don't ask us to explain, it's too complicated. Suffice it to say these certain factors are not present in BB art!

Internal problems make it difficult to do team-ups or reprints at this time.

Now The Question; Professor Rodor and Celia will appear in subsequent issues. We couldn't ram everybody into the first episode. The Banshee is not a super-hero...he's a villain whom The Question battles in BLUE BEETLE #2. You've probably read it by now... right?

Dear Editor:

In the winter of 1939 Fox Features published the first issue of BLUE BEETLE. That was before my time, but I managed to purchase a couple of issues from dealers. It is interesting to note that the costume changed little during its run of publication.

In June, 1964 Charlton's first BLUE BEETLE came out. The only change in costume from that of the 40's was the mask and red stripe on the head. This Blue Beetle was perhaps better than the first because the stories were not meant to be propaganda. Instead, the second Blue Beetle fought supernatural and science-fiction menaces like the Mummy, Mr. Thunderbolt, Praying Mantis Man, Menter, Magno Man, and the Eye of Horus. Even though the stories were good better than average, Charlton's Blue Beetle suffered because of art work. Small wonder then that after the March, 1966 issue, Dan Garrett, the Blue Beetle went into comic book limbo for the second time.

But, as they say "You can't keep a good man down." This was the case with the Blue Beetle. CAPTAIN ATOM #83 gave us a seven page story of still another Blue Beetle, this time however, with an excellent script by Gary Friedrich and art by Steve Ditko. It is interesting to note a costume change, and a welcome one. The old one, just one shade of blue with a little red and black, seemed terribly dull for a hero like Blue Beetle. The new one, although entirely blue—light blue and dark—seems to fit the new Blue Beetle's personality.

So I followed Blue Beetle through Captain Atom until I read that soon Blue Beetle would be in his own book. Now I have it. It's even better than I thought it would be. If future issues are like this, this Blue Beetle will be around for several years.

I also noted another new hero, The Question. I have a hunch that he'll prove successful also. Although he reminds me of the Spirit it's far superior because of its seriousness while the Spirit is slightly humorous. If The Question doesn't have his own book a year from now, I'll be surprised. This character has great potential.

Long live the Third Blue Beetle. May he live 1000 issues.

Gene Reed
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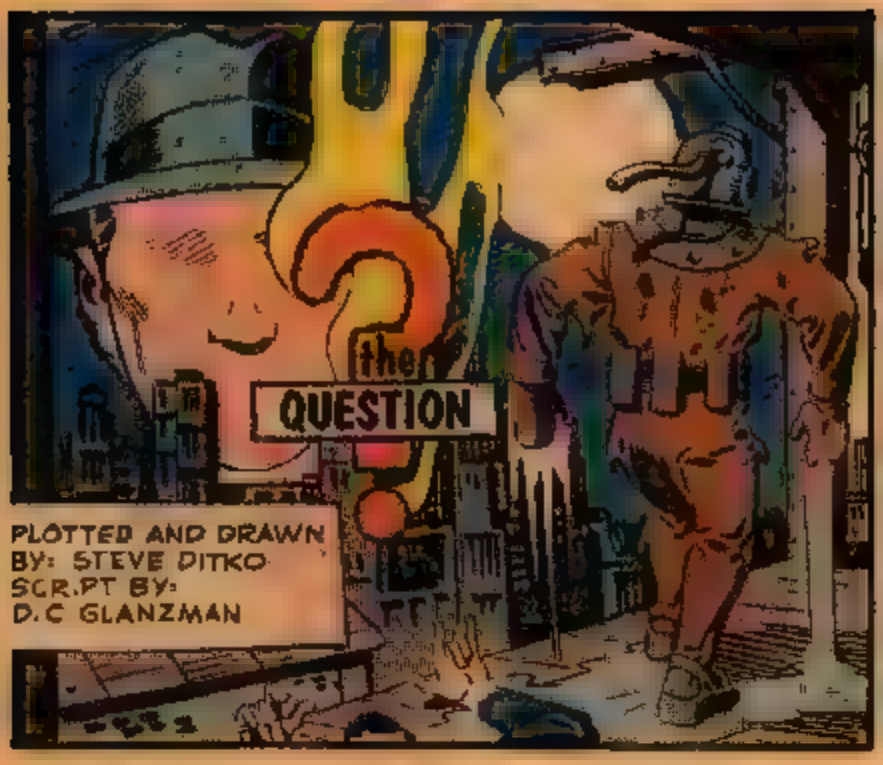
Yeah, well, we'll settle for 500 issues, but thanks for the words of praise...we don't mind having our egos fed!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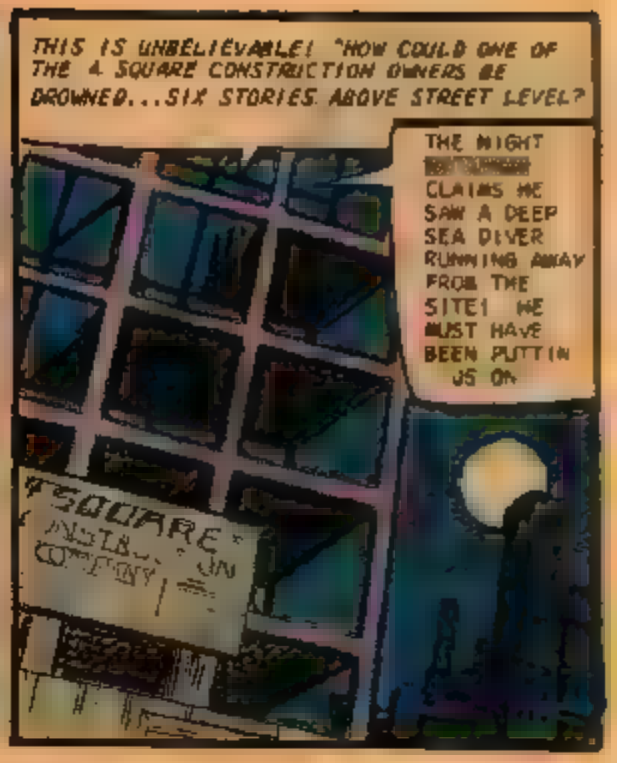
THIS IS UNBELIEVABLE! "HOW COULD ONE OF THE 4 SQUARE CONSTRUCTION OWNERS BE DROWNED...SIX STORIES ABOVE STREET LEVEL?
THE NIGHT [redacted] CLAIMS HE SAW A DEEP SEA DIVER RUNNING AWAY FROM THE SITE! HE MUST HAVE BEEN PUTTIN JS ON.
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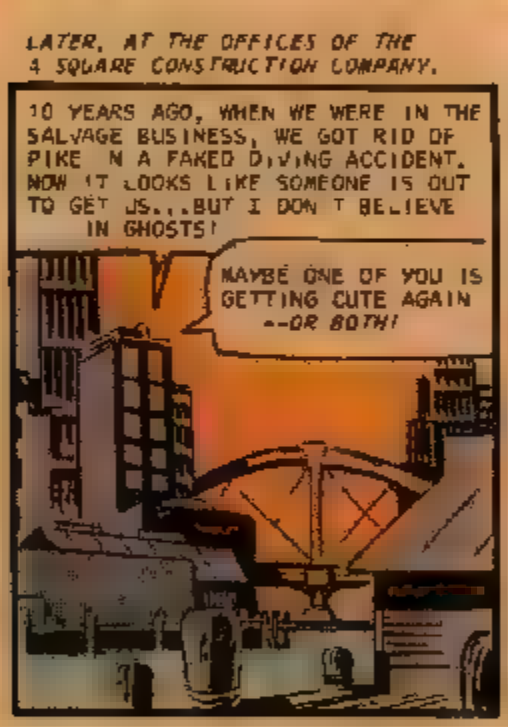
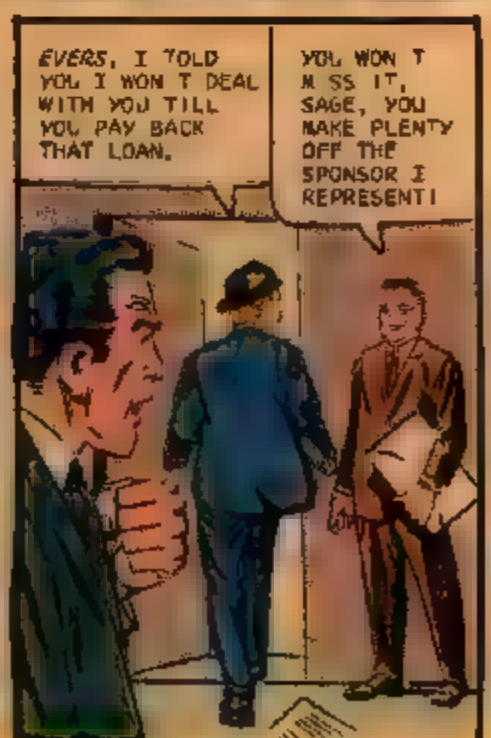

LATER, AT THE OFFICES OF THE 4 SQUARE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY.
10 YEARS AGO, WHEN WE WERE IN THE SALVAGE BUSINESS, WE GOT RID OF PIKE N A FAKED DIVING ACCIDENT. NOW IT LOOKS LIKE SOMEONE IS OUT TO GET JS...BUT I DON T BELIEVE IN GHOSTS!
MAYBE ONE OF YOU IS GETTING CUTE AGAIN --OR BOTH!

WE CAN'T RISK FIGHTING AMONG OURSELVES. WE RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER. SOMEONE FROM THE OLD DAYS MIGHT BE THINKING HE KNOWS SOMETHING AND IS TRYING TO PANIC JS.
DON!T FORGET, VIC SAGE IS D GGING INTO OUR OPERATIONS AND WE'VE CUT QUITE A FEW CORNERS!

WE HAVE TO ACT LIKE WE HAVE NOTHING TO HIDE AND PLAN IT STRAIGHT!
BUT SAGE LIKES TO DIG DEEP, IF HE COMES UP WITH ANYTHING WE HAVE TO BE PREPARED TO BUY HIM OFF ...OR FIX HIM ANOTHER WAY!

MEANWHILE, AT THE WORLD-WIDE BROADCASTING...
SAGE, QUIT TRYING TO MAKE NEWS YOUR JOB IS JUST TO REPORT EVENTS THAT HAPPEN. STOP STEPPING OUT OF LINE.
SYD, YOU RE NOT QUALI-FIED TO DRAW BOUNDARIES AROUND MY JOB!


EVERS, I TOLD YOU I WON T DEAL WITH YOU TILL YOU PAY BACK THAT LOAN.
YOU WON T M SS IT, SAGE, YOU MAKE PLENTY OFF THE SPONSOR I REPRESENT!

ONE WORD FROM ME, SAGE, AND MY SPONSOR WILL DROP YOU --CAN YOU AFFORD TO LOSE THAT MUCH?
GET LOST, EVERS, TILL YOU'RE READY TO PAY UP.

OKAY, MONEY HUNGRY, YOU'LL GET YOUR DOUGH.
WELL, LET'S SEE WHAT OUR NEWEST MEMBER TO THE HATE SAGE CLUB CAN CONTRIBUTE TO SAGE'S DOWNFALL!

LOOK, EVERS, YOU TALK YOUR SPONSOR INTO DROPPING SAGE AND WE'LL FIX YOU UP WITH A NEW SHOW?.. AT PRIME TIME!
IT'S NO USE, SYD, MY STOOP'D SPONSOR WANTS SAGE, PERIOD! HE'D DUMP ME BEFORE SAGE!

THAT'S THE DATA, VIC. THE BOYS DUG BACK INTO THE 4 SQUARE OPERATORS SINCE THEY FIRST TEAMED UP.
GOOD! I'LL GO OVER THIS TONIGHT... RIGHT NOW I WANT TO SEE HOW WORRIED THEY ARE OVER AT 4 SQUARE.

LATER, AT THE 4 SQUARE OFFICES...
ONLY MR. CRANE'S HERE BUT YOU'RE THE LAST PERSON HE'D WANT TO TALK TO, SAGE! SO BEAT IT!
YOU'D BE SURPRISED AT WHAT HE JUST TOLD ME!

WHILE IN THE OFFICE OF MR. CRANE

NO! NO! HELP!
MR. CRANE!
COME ON, BEFORE YOU'RE DOWN TO 2 BOSSES!

WHAT HAPPENED? WHERE'D ALL THAT WATER COME FROM?
A TRAIL LEADS TO THE OTHER DOOR--TAKE CARE OF CRANE---

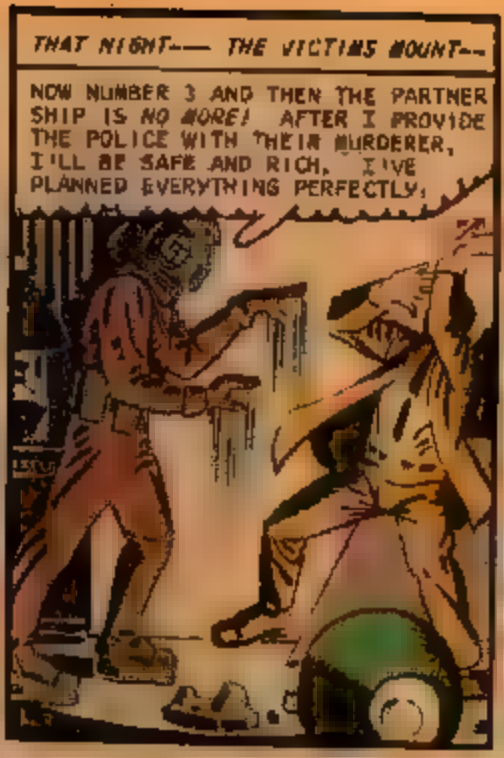
THE DIVER! I'VE GOT A GOOD CHANCE TO NAB HIM BUT I'D BETTER NOT DO IT AS VIC SAGE!

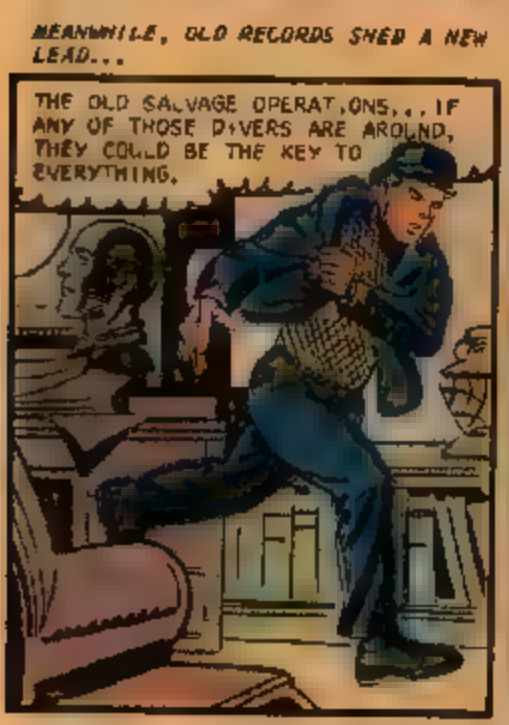
THE QUESTION CAN DO THE JOB THEN DISAPPEAR WHEREAS VIC SAGE WOULD BE TIED UP TELLING AND RETELLING WHAT HAPPENED TO EVERY INQUISITIVE SOUL.
THE MASK IS ON, NOW TO RELEASE THE GAS THAT WILL GIVE ME AN INSTANT CHANGE OF IDENTITY!

HE'S HEADING FOR THE RIVER AND FOR SOMEONE WEARING A DIVING RIG. HE MOVES AWFULLY FAST.
I'VE GOT TO STOP HIM BEFORE HE REACHES THE END OF THE PIER!
HE WON'T GO ANYWHERE, ONCE HE'S OFF HIS FEET.
THAT SUIT'S A FAKE. A KICK BY A REAL LEAD SHOE WOULD HAVE FIN SHED ME
MMM..? HE'S TRYING TO DROWN ME WITH WATER FROM HIS GLOVES GLUB
I..I MANAGED TO RELEASE SOME GAS AND IT SHOOK HIM ENOUGH TO MAKE HIM LET UP FOR A SECOND.
AND THAT'S ALL THE TIME I NEED OH, OH! I DIDN'T REALIZE WE WERE SO CLOSE TO THE EDGE HE'LL GET AWAY NOW!
LOOKS LIKE I HAVE COMPETITION! SOMEONE ELSE IS OUT TO GET THE 4 SQUARE BUNCH---ONLY HE DOESN'T WANT THEM IN JAIL-- HE WANTS THEM DEAD!
THE INFORMATION MY STAFF DUG UP MIGHT PROVIDE A CLUE AS TO THE IDENTITY OF THIS DIVER OF DEATH! I'D BETTER CHANGE BACK TO VIC SAGE AND GET A MOVE ON... I'M IN A RACE WITH A KILLER!

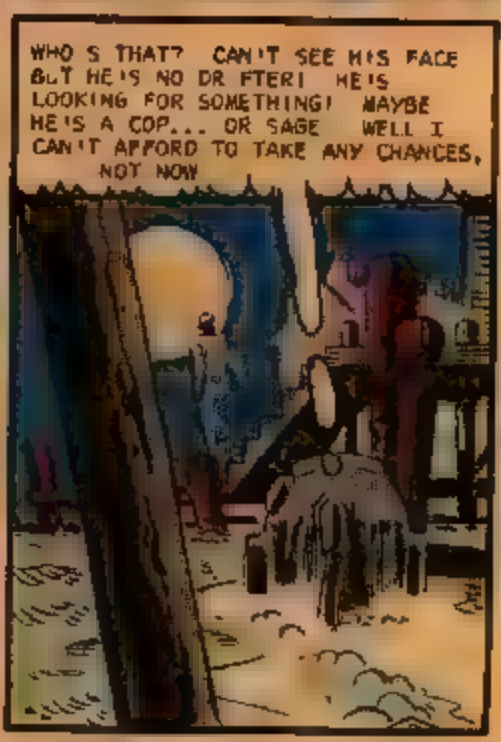
SOMETIME LATER AT THE OFFICE OF THE 4 SQUARE...
HOW DO I REALLY KNOW ONE OF YOU AREN'T OUT TO GET RID OF ME?
NUTS! HOW DO WE KNOW YOU DIDN'T STAGE THE WHOLE STUNT YOURSELF

YOU RE CRAZY! D D I ALSO PLAN FOR SAGE TO BE HERE?
LET'S STOP NEEDLING EACH OTHER AND TRY TO FIGURE OUT WHO THIS D VER IS AND HOW TO STOP HIM...AND SAGE.


THAT NIGHT--- THE VICTIMS MOUNT---
NOW NUMBER 3 AND THEN THE PARTNER SHIP IS NO MORE! AFTER I PROVIDE THE POLICE WITH THEIR MURDERER, I'LL BE SAFE AND RICH. I'VE PLANNED EVERYTHING PERFECTLY.


MEANWHILE, OLD RECORDS SHED A NEW LEAD...
THE OLD SALVAGE OPERATIONS... IF ANY OF THOSE DIVERS ARE AROUND, THEY COULD BE THE KEY TO EVERYTHING.

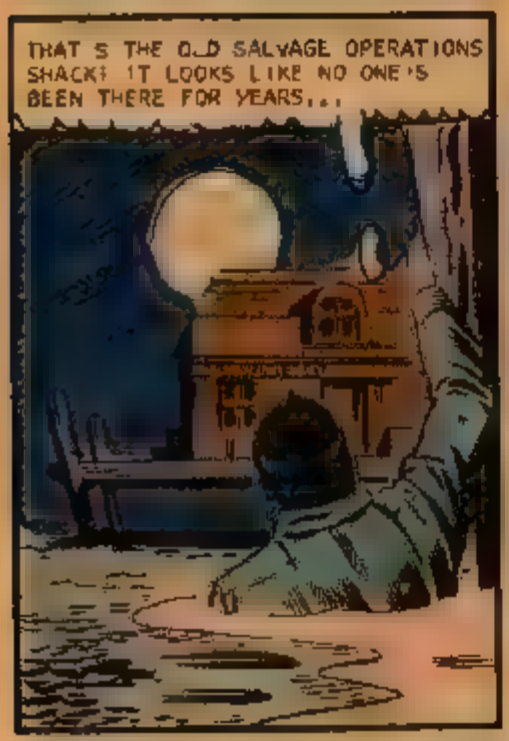
THE QUESTION TAKES OVER THE SEARCH!
THEIR SALVAGE OPERATIONS WERE SOMEWHERE ALONG THIS DESERTED DOCK NOT MUCH CHANCE OF FIND-ING ANYONE AROUND BUT STILL,

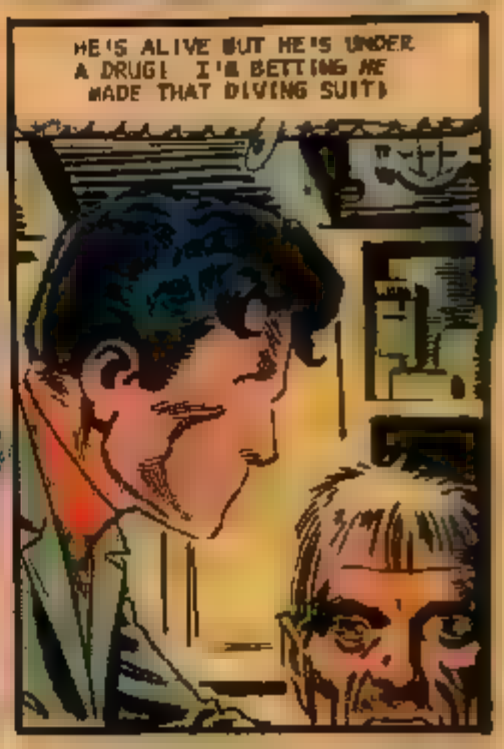

WHO S THAT? CAN'T SEE HIS FACE BUT HE'S NO DR FTER! HE'S LOOKING FOR SOMETHING! MAYBE HE'S A COP... OR SAGE WELL I CAN'T AFFORD TO TAKE ANY CHANCES, NOT NOW

SO HE'S GOT TO DIE!

THAT SNEAK ATTACK GAVE THE DIVER A CHANCE TO GET A HOLD ON ME

GOT TO...BREAK FREE...CAN T LET HIM HOLD ME DOWN HERE...!





HMM. BILLS FOR PARTS AND EQUIP-MENT. THIS GUY IS BEING MADE A FALL GUY! WAIT! ON TH S OLD PAD--A RECENTLY WRITTEN TELEPHONE NUMBER!

I WAS GOING TO PUT THAT DRUGGED FOOL IN THIS SUIT HE MADE FOR ME AND THEN KILL HIM, MAKING IT LOOK LIKE SE.F-DEFENSE. HE'D GET BLAMED FOR KILLING ALL THE OTHERS AND I'D BE IN THE CLEAR!
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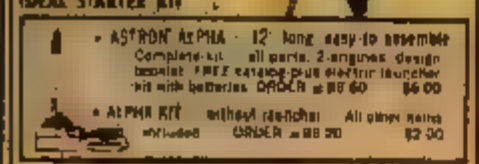

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